Pets.tv   Episode #509A

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Participants: **Janna Duncan – Drummond Ranch**

                Landa Coldiron – Pet Detective

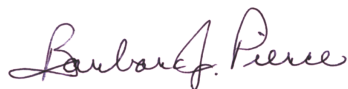   **Dave Reaver – Alderhorst International, Inc.**

General Synopsis for Episode #509A

In this episode of Pets.tv viewers are introduced to three types of *Working Dogs*. Janna Duncan of **Drummond Ranch** trains dogs to be sheepherders by the sound of a whistle or word commands. Viewers learn that not all dogs can learn to herd; the best breeds are Border Collies, Australian and German Shepherds and Corgis. **Pet Detective**, Landa Coldiron shares how search and rescue dogs can find lost pets using scent techniques. She states that bloodhounds are the best dogs to use since they can smell 300 million times greater than humans. **Alderhorst International** is the largest police dog obedience training school in the world. The training course refines the dog's skills and trains the officer and the dog to work together. Training a K-9 police dog can take between 6–11 weeks. German Shepherds and Belgium Malinois are the best K-9 breeds. Bomb detecting dogs are trained on 12 different odors and indicate by pointing with their nose where the odor is located. Young viewers learn that these working dogs know when it is time to work and when it is time to play.

Observation and Conclusion

Episode #509A exposes young viewers to the training and unique and important jobs dogs can do. This episode of Pets.tv delivers an educational and informational message that supports current social, intellectual and emotional aspects of children ages 13 and up. Attributes and advice emphasized by guests instill a grounded balance of priorities, commitment, and perseverance children can apply to their lives.

Sincerely,

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